

## FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION Washington, DC 20463

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William Pflaum
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RE:

MUR 7160

Hillary for America and Elizabeth Jones in her official capacity as treasurer, et al.

Dear Mr. Pflaum:

The Federal Election Commission has considered the allegations contained in your complaint, MUR 7160, filed on October 24, 2016, including that Correct the Record and Elizabeth Cohen in her official capacity as treasurer ("CTR") made, and Hillary for America and Elizabeth Jones in her official capacity as treasurer ("HFA") accepted, unreported excessive and prohibited contributions in the form of coordinated expenditures in violation of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended (the "Act"). The Commission also considered an allegation that it severed from another matter, MUR 6932, and merged into MUR 7160 that Hillary Rodham Clinton, HFA and CTR violated the Act in connection with coordinated communications. On June 4, 2019, the Commission was equally divided on whether to find reason to believe that: 1) Correct the Record and Elizabeth Cohen in her official capacity as treasurer violated 52 U.S.C. §§ 30116(a), 30118(a) and 30104(b); and 2) Hillary for America and Elizabeth Jones in her official capacity as treasurer violated 52 U.S.C. §§ 30116(f), 30118(a) and 30104(b).

On the same day, the Commission was equally divided on whether to dismiss the allegation that American Bridge 21<sup>st</sup> Century and Rodell Mollineau in his official capacity as treasurer violated 52 U.S.C. §§ 30116(a), 30118(a) and 30104(b) by impermissibly coordinating with HFA.

Accordingly, the Commission closed the file in MUR 7160. A Statement of Reasons providing a basis for the Commission's decision will follow.

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Documents related to MUR 7160 will be placed on the public record within 30 days. See Disclosure of Certain Documents in Enforcement and Other Matters, 81 Fed. Reg. 50,702 (Aug. 2, 2016).

The Federal Election Campaign Act allows a complainant to seek judicial review of the Commission's dismissal of this action. See 52 U.S.C. § 30109(a)(8). If you have any questions, please contact Dawn M. Odrowski, the attorney assigned to this matter, at <a href="mailto:dodrowski@fec.gov">dodrowski@fec.gov</a> or (202) 694-1591.

Sincerely,

Mark Allen

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